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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The title and paragraph 2 of the disclosure are amended consequent upon amendment of the claims to cancel claims 23-29. Claims 23-29 are cancelled as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

Claims 5, 14 and 16-17 have been indicated to be allowable if amended to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.


Claim 1 is amended to include the limitations of claims 3, 4 and 5 and so is allowable. Claims 8, 9 and 10 now depend on claim 1 and are therefore allowable. Claims 2-6 are cancelled as redundant due to the amendments.

Claim 14 is amended to include the limitations of claim 1, 11, 12 and 13 and so is allowable. Claims 11-13 are cancelled as redundant due to the amendment. Claims 16 and 17 depend on claim 14 and are therefore allowable.

Due to the amendment of the claims to be allowable, the rejection of claims 1-4, 6 and 8-13 is moot.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, and allowance of the claims, is respectfully requested. Respectfully submitted, and certified as being faxed to the USPTO on

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